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**RAJYA SABHA**

The following Bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th March, 1967:—

BILL No. I of 1967

*A Bill further to amend the Constitution of India.*

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Eighteenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Constitution (Twenty-first Amendment) Act, 1967. Short title.

2. In the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution,—

(a) entries 12 to 14 shall be re-numbered as entries 13 to 15 respectively, and

(b) before entry "13" as so re-numbered, the entry "12. Sindhi." shall be inserted.

Amend-  
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dule.

## STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

There have been persistent demands from the Sindhi-speaking people for the inclusion of the Sindhi language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution. Although at present Sindhi is not a regional language in a well-defined area, it used to be the language of a Province of the undivided India and, but for partition, would have continued to be so. The Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities has also recommended the inclusion of Sindhi in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution. On 4th November, 1966, it was announced that Government had decided to include the Sindhi language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution. The Bill seeks to give effect to this decision.

NEW DELHI;  
*The 13th March, 1967.*

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*Secretary.*